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PATENT

NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of inventors:

	First Name	Last Name	Residence	Citizenship
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For (title):

METHOD OF AND APPARATUS FOR PRODUCING TUBES OF METAL

1. Type of Application

- Utility
- Design
- Plant

- Original
- Divisional
- Continuation
- Continuation-in-part

2. Benefit of Prior US Application(s) (35 USC 120) or foreign priority (35 USC 119)

- The new application being transmitted claims the benefit of a prior US application.
- Foreign priority claimed (see ¶9)

3. Papers Enclosed Required For Filing Date Under 37 CFR 1.53(b) (Uti.) or 37 CFR 1.153 (Des.)

- Pages of specification (9)
- Pages of claims (4)
- Pages of Abstract (1)
- Sheets of Drawing (3)
 - Formal
 - Informal

4. Additional papers enclosed

- Preliminary Amendment
- Information Disclosure Statement
- PTO-1449
- Citations (3)
- Declaration of Biological Deposit
- Submission of "Sequence Listing," computer-readable copy and/or amendment pertaining thereto for biotechnology invention containing nucleotide and/or amino-acid sequence
- Authorization of Attorney(s) to accept and follow instructions from Representative
- Other -- PTO Data Entry Form
- Other

5. Declaration or Oath

- Enclosed
 - original executed by
 - Inventor(s)
 - legal representative of inventor(s). 37 CFR 1.42 or 1.43
 - joint inventor or person showing a proprietary interest on behalf of inventor who refused to sign or could not be reached
 - this is the petition required by 37 CFR 1.47 and the statement required by 37 CFR 1.47 is also attached
- Not Enclosed
 - Application is made by a person authorized under 37 CFR 1.41(c) on behalf of all the above-named inventor(s).
 - Showing that the filing is authorized.

6. Inventorship Statement

The inventorship for all the claims in this application is:

- The same
- Not the same. An explanation, including the ownership of the various claims at the time the last claimed invention was made
 - is submitted.
 - will be submitted.

7. Language

- English
- non-English
- the attached translation is a verified translation. 37 CFR 1.52(d).

8. Assignment

- An assignment of the invention to SMS Meer GmbH
 - is attached with form PTO-1595 and a separate check for \$40.00.
 - will follow.

9. Certified Copy

Certified copy of application

Country

Germany

Number

10316910.5

Date

12 April 2003

from which priority is claimed

- is(are) attached.
 will follow.

10. Fee calculation

- A. Utility application

CLAIMS AS FILED

	No. Filed	Base No.	No. Extra	Rate	Basic fee
Total claims	15	20	0	\$18.00	\$770.00 \$0.00
Independent claims	1	3	0	\$86.00	\$0.00
Mult. dep. claims	No	n/a	n/a	\$290.00	\$0.00

- Amendment canceling extra claims enclosed.
 Amendment canceling multiply dependent claims enclosed.
 Fee for extra claims is not being paid at this time.

Filing Fee Calculation **\$770.00**

- B. Design application
(\$0.00--37 CFR 1.16(f))
Filing fee calculation **\$00.00**

- C. Plant application
(\$490.00--37 CFR 1.16(g))
Filing fee calculation **\$00.00**

11. Entity StatusApplicant herewith qualifies as a **LARGE** entity.**12. Request for International-Type Search (37 CFR 1.104(d))**

- Please prepare an international-type search report for this application at the time when national examination on the merits takes place.

13. Fee Payment

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | Not enclosed. | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | No filing fee is to be paid at this time. | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Enclosed. | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | basic filing fee | \$770.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | petition fee for filing by other than all the inventors or person on behalf of the inventor where inventor refused to sign or could not be reached | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | for processing an application with a specification in a non-English language | \$0.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | processing and retention fee | \$0.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | fee for international-type search report | \$0.00 |
| | Total fees enclosed | \$770.00 |

14. Method of Payment of Fees

- Check in the amount of \$770.00
- Charge Account 18-2025 for \$770.00. A duplicate of this form is attached.
- Charge to credit card (PTO-2038 attached.)

15. Authorization to Charge Additional Fees

- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the following additional fees by this paper and during the entire pendency of this application to account 18-2025.
 - 37 CFR 1.16(a), (f), or (g) (filing fees)
 - 37 CFR 1.16(b), (c), or (d) (extra claims)
 - 37 CFR 1.16(e) (surcharge for filing the basic filing fee and/or declaration on a date later than the filing date of the application)
 - 37 CFR 1.17 (application processing fees)
 - 37 CFR 1.18 (issue fee at or before mailing of Notice of Allowance pursuant to 37 CFR 1.31(b))

16. Instructions As To Overpayment

- credit account 18-2025
- refund

27 February 2004

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